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## SUMMARY OF CASES ACCEPTED DURING THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 20, 1999

[This news release is issued to inform the public and the press of cases that the Supreme Court has accepted and of their general subject matter. The description or descriptions set out below do not necessarily reflect the view of the court, or define the specific issues that will be addressed by the court.]

#99-149 People v. Posas, S080554. (C028898; 72 Cal.App.4th 1245.)

Petition for review after the Court of Appeal affirmed an order denying a motion to withdraw guilty plea. This case presents an issue, concerning the circumstances under which a non-citizen defendant may obtain vacation of a final conviction based upon guilty plea following purported non-compliance with Penal Code section 1016.5, which is related to an issue before the court in People v. Superior Court (Zamudio), S073031. (See #98-158.)

#99-150 People v. Rells, S080451. (B118527.) Petition for review after the Court of Appeal modified and affirmed a judgment of conviction of criminal offenses. The court limited review to the issue whether the defendant bears the burden of proving continued incompetence to stand trial at a Penal Code section 1372 hearing on restoration of competency.